

# LABOR MARKET REVIEW

Statistical Data for November 2006

Region 8

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## NOVEMBER UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

(preliminary)

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AREA	11/06(p)	10/06	11/05
U.S.	4.3%	4.1%	4.8%
INDIANA	4.5%	4.6%	5.1%
EGR 8*	4.3%	4.3%	5.1%
Bloomington MSA**	3.7%	3.8%	4.7%
Brown	4.1%	3.9%	4.6%
Daviess	3.2%	3.2%	4.1%
Greene	5.0%	4.7%	6.2%
Lawrence	6.7%	6.5%	7.3%
Martin	4.4%	4.3%	5.8%
Monroe	3.3%	3.5%	4.1%
Orange	6.3%	6.4%	6.8%
Owen	4.1%	4.2%	5.4%
Bedford	9.2%	9.0%	11.2%
Bloomington	3.5%	3.8%	4.2%
Linton	7.7%	6.8%	8.8%
Loogootee	6.4%	6.1%	9.4%
Nashville	9.2%	9.4%	15.8%
Paoli	7.5%	9.2%	8.3%
Spencer	11.3%	10.2%	12.4%
Washington	4.3%	4.1%	5.4%



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## REGIONAL, STATE, & METROPOLITAN UNEMPLOYMENT

Regional and state unemployment rates were generally little changed in November. The Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor reported 28 states and the District of Columbia recorded over-the-month unemployment rate increases, 10 states registered decreases, and 12 states had no change. Over the year, jobless rates were down in 37 states, up in 8 states, and unchanged in 5 states and the District of Columbia.

Mississippi reported the highest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in November at 7.5 percent followed by Michigan at 6.9 percent, and South Carolina at 6.6 percent. Hawaii and Utah again recorded the lowest unemployment rates at 2.3 percent and 2.6 percent, respectively.

Unemployment rates were lower in November than a year earlier in 279 of the 367 metropolitan areas, higher in 54 areas, and unchanged in 34 areas, reported the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor. Forty-two metropolitan areas registered jobless rates below 3.0 percent while two areas recorded rates of at least 10.0 percent.

\*EGR 8 includes Brown, Daviess, Greene, Lawrence, Martin, Monroe, Orange, and Owen Counties. \*\*Bloomington MSA includes Greene, Monroe, and Owen Counties. None of the unemployment rates in this newsletter are seasonally adjusted.

## UNEMPLOYMENT RATE RANKING by COUNTY (High to Low)

RANK – NOV 2006	COUNTY	NOV 2006 RATE (p)
1	Fayette	7.8%
2	Lawrence	6.7%
3	Orange	6.3%
30	Greene	5.0%
55	Martin	4.4%
61	Brown	4.1%
62	Owen	4.1%
86	Monroe	3.3%
89	Daviess	3.2%
92	Hamilton	2.7%

### SURROUNDING STATES NOVEMBER 2006

#### UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

(Preliminary Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Illinois – 3.7% Indiana – 4.5% Kentucky – 5.2% Michigan – 6.5% Ohio – 5.1%

# BLOOMINGTON MSA

(Greene, Monroe, and Owen Counties in Indiana)



## WAGE AND SALARIED EMPLOYMENT

	NOV 2006	OCT 2006	NOV 2005	CHANGE FROM OCT 2006 TO NOV 2006				NOV 2005 TO NOV 2006	
Total Nonfarm	84,400	84,400	84,600	+0	+0.0%	-200	-0.2%		
Goods Producing	13,400	13,500	13,800	-100	-0.7%	-400	-2.9%		
Natural Resources, Mining, & Construction	4,300	4,400	4,500	-100	-2.3%	-200	-4.4%		
Manufacturing	9,100	9,100	9,300	+0	+0.0%	-200	-2.2%		
Durable Goods	6,700	6,700	6,800	+0	+0.0%	-100	-1.5%		
Service Providing	71,000	70,900	70,800	+100	+0.1%	+200	+0.3%		
Trade, Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	13,000	12,600	12,800	+400	+3.2%	+200	+1.6%		
Wholesale Trade	2,100	2,100	2,000	+0	+0.0%	+100	+5.0%		
Retail Trade	9,400	9,000	9,200	+400	+4.4%	+200	+2.2%		
Transportation, Warehousing, & Utilities	1,500	1,500	1,600	+0	+0.0%	-100	-6.3%		
Information	1,200	1,200	1,200	+0	+0.0%	+0	+0.0%		
Financial Activities	2,900	2,900	3,000	+0	+0.0%	-100	-3.3%		
Professional & Business	6,600	6,700	6,500	-100	-1.5%	+100	+1.5%		
Educational & Health	9,900	9,900	9,800	+0	+0.0%	+100	+1.0%		
Leisure & Hospitality	8,000	8,000	8,200	+0	+0.0%	-200	-2.4%		
Other Services	2,900	2,900	2,800	+0	+0.0%	+100	+3.6%		
Government	26,500	26,700	26,500	-200	-0.7%	+0	+0.0%		
Federal Government	600	600	600	+0	+0.0%	+0	+0.0%		
State Government	19,200	19,500	19,000	-300	-1.5%	+200	+1.1%		
Local Government	6,700	6,600	6,900	+100	+1.5%	-200	-2.9%		
Local Government Education	3,700	3,600	3,800	+100	+2.8%	-100	-2.6%		

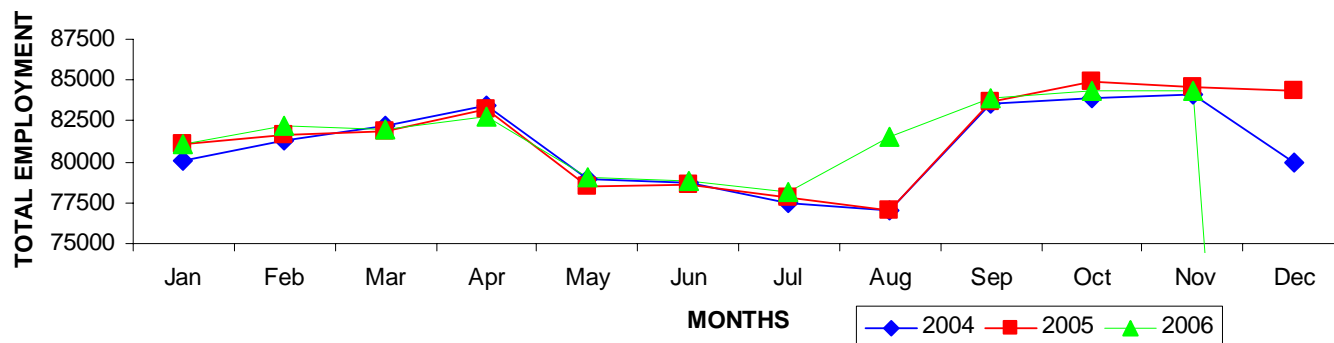
### BLOOMINGTON MSA WAGE & SALARIED EMPLOYMENT JANUARY – NOVEMBER 2006 & YEAR-TO-DATE AVERAGE



	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	RUNNING AVERAGE
TOTAL NONFARM	81,100	82,200	82,000	82,800	79,000	78,800	78,200	81,500	83,900	84,400	84,400	81,700
Natural Resources, Mining, & Construction	3,900	3,900	3,900	4,200	4,300	4,400	4,500	4,400	4,400	4,400	4,300	4,200
Manufacturing	9,100	9,200	9,200	9,200	9,300	9,400	9,400	9,300	9,200	9,100	9,100	9,200
Trade, Transportation, Mining, & Utilities	12,300	12,300	12,300	12,500	12,600	12,700	12,600	12,600	12,600	12,600	13,000	12,600
Information Services	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
Financial Activities	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	3,000	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900
Professional & Business Services	6,400	6,400	6,500	6,600	6,600	6,600	6,600	6,600	6,600	6,700	6,600	6,600
Educational & Health Services	9,500	9,700	9,700	9,700	9,700	9,700	9,700	9,700	9,800	9,900	9,900	9,700
Leisure & Hospitality	7,700	7,800	7,800	8,000	7,900	7,600	7,600	7,600	8,000	8,000	8,000	7,800
Other Services	2,800	2,900	2,900	2,900	3,000	3,000	3,000	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900	2,900
Government	25,300	25,900	25,600	25,600	21,400	21,200	20,600	24,100	26,300	26,700	26,500	24,500

Notes for both tables: Current month data are preliminary. Data are rounded and may not add to total. Data are based on 2005 benchmark and subject to benchmarking in 2007.  
Source: Indiana Department of Workforce Development, Research and Analysis, Current Employment Statistics Program in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

## BLOOMINGTON MSA EMPLOYMENT TRENDS



## LOCAL EMPLOYMENT DYNAMICS

Local Employment Dynamics (LED), a partnership between the Indiana Department of Workforce Development and the U.S. Census Bureau, provides innovative demographic employment information (Quarterly Workforce Indicators) for local decision makers, economic development agencies, education and training institutions, and transportation agencies. The Quarterly Workforce Indicators (QWI) measure the performance of the local economy. Turnover, separations, new hires, and average new hire earnings by county, metropolitan area, and Workforce Investment area are among the data items on the web site. The web address is:

<http://lehd.dsd.census.gov/led/>.

## Economic Growth Region 8 Top Industries

Top 10 industries ranked on the greatest growth in hiring from 3Q2004 to 3Q2005.

Industry Sub-Sector	Growth
Accommodation	218
Computer & Electronic Product Manufacturing	71
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	47
Miscellaneous Manufacturing	45
Ambulatory Health Care Services	20
Telecommunications	18
Repair & Maintenance	16
General Merchandise Stores	14
Nonstore Retailers	14
Social Assistance	14

Source: U.S. Bureau of Census, Local Employer-Household Dynamics (LEHD), Local Employment Dynamics (LED), Industry Focus, 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter 2005.

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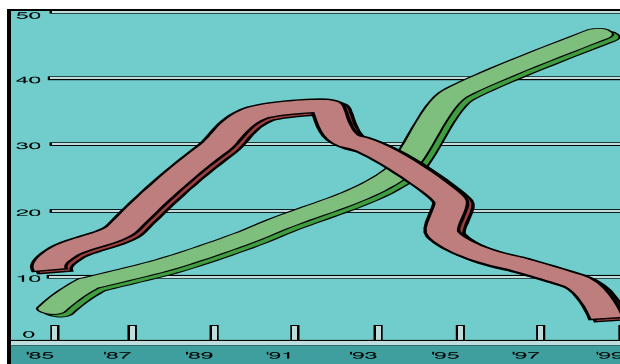
Unadjusted percent change to November 2006 from:

	November 05	October 06
<b>U.S. City Average</b>		
<b>All Items</b>	<b>2.0%</b>	<b>-.1%</b>
Food & Beverages	2.3%	-.2%
Housing	3.0%	.0%
Apparel	.2%	-1.3%
Transportation	-1.0%	-.5%
Medical Care	3.7%	.2%
Recreation	1.3%	.0%
Education & Communication	2.4%	-.3%
Other Goods & Services	2.6%	.0%
<b>Midwest Region (All Items)*</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>.3%</b>



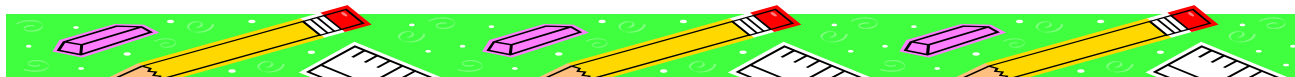
\*Midwest Region = Midwest Urban Average. Expenditure categories are not available on a regional basis.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics



## MONTHLY COMPARISON OF UNEMPLOYMENT CLAIMS BY OFFICE TOTAL ALL CLAIMS FILED

Local Office	Nov. 2006	Oct. 2006	Nov. 2005	Previous Month % Change	Previous Year % Change
Bedford	4,836	5,388	4,503	-10.2%	7.4%
Bloomington	4,926	5,275	4,539	-6.6%	8.5%
Linton	1,817	1,805	2,038	.7%	-10.8%
<b>INDIANA</b>	<b>241,826</b>	<b>254,625</b>	<b>224,044</b>	<b>-5.0%</b>	<b>7.9%</b>



## Region 8 Job Openings

The following hourly wage information is for selected occupations that the Indiana Workforce Development offices in Economic Growth Region 8 (Bedford, Bloomington, and Linton) received during November 2006. The data are from the agency's Customer Self Service System (CS3) and Seagate Crystal reports software. Occupations are listed in descending order based on number of openings.

### SELECTED NOVEMBER 2006 JOB OPENINGS & STARTING WAGES FOR REGION 8

OCCUPATIONAL TITLES	MINIMUM WAGE	AVERAGE WAGE	MAXIMUM WAGE
Stock Clerks: Stockroom/Warehouse	\$5.63	\$7.06	\$8.75
Cashiers, General	5.63	6.44	7.50
Stock Clerks, Sales Floor	5.63	6.71	7.50
General Office Clerks	6.00	6.50	7.00
Nurse Aides, Orderlies, & Attendants	5.63	8.02	11.00
Truck Drivers, Heavy & Tractor-Trailer	10.00	18.59	38.50
Cook: Institution/Cafeteria	5.15	6.76	10.00
Cooks: Restaurant	5.15	6.04	9.50
Truck Drivers, Light-including Delivery	5.15	6.63	10.00
Home Health Aides	5.63	8.71	11.00
Accountants	10.00	16.11	25.00
Correction Officers & Jailers	12.49	12.88	13.26
Production Helpers & Laborers	8.00	8.38	8.75
Automotive Master Mechanics	9.00	16.00	21.00
Licensed Practical Nurses	\$5.63	\$12.54	\$16.00



## Region 8 APPLICANT POOL

November 26, 2006



The Department of Workforce Development's Customer Self Service System (CS3) performs matches between applicants seeking work and employers looking for new employees. **Applicant Pool** provides a numerical ranking of the top jobs being sought by applicants.

<u>REGION 11 JOB TITLES</u>	<u>NUMBER OF APPLICANTS</u>
Assemblers	3,077
Production Laborers	1,770
General Office Clerks	1,050
Cashiers, General	1,032
All Other Hand Workers	1,009
All Other Machine Operators	975
Forklift/Industrial Truck Operators	967
Production Helpers	913
Hand Packers & Packagers	907
Receptionists & Information Clerks	847
File Clerks	767
Stock Clerks: Stockroom/Warehouse	708
Administrative Assistants	681
All Other Precision Assemblers	662
Shipping & Receiving Clerks	655
Order Fillers – Wholesale/Retail Stores	648
Secretaries – Other	613
Laborers, Landscaping & Groundskeeping	605
Helpers: Other Construction Trades	603
Salespersons: Retail	574

The pool of applicants who are registered in the CS3 system is examined each week. The data are available from the state level to the county level. For other areas, check out our web site: <http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov> under Applicant Pool on the Site Map/Index.



## ECONOMIC GROWTH REGION 8\* WAGE DEMAND

The Department of Workforce Development's Customer Self Service System (CS3) performs matches between job applicants seeking work and employers looking for new employees. **Wage Demand** provides the applicants' desired wages and the number of applicants registered in CS3. The pool of applicants who are registered in the CS3 system is examined each week. Applicants define their wage expectations for the work that they would like to obtain. An average wage demand and median wage demand are calculated for the selected geographical area. The data are available from the state level to the county level. For other areas, check out our web site: <http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov> under Wage Demand on the Site Map/Index. \*EGR 8 includes Brown, Daviess, Greene, Lawrence, Martin, Monroe, Orange, and Owen Counties.



<b>AREA (11/26/06)</b>	<b>Average Annual Wage Demand</b>	<b>Median Annual Wage Demand</b>	<b>Number of Applicants</b>
<b>EGR 8</b>	<b>\$20,998</b>	<b>\$16,640</b>	<b>8,566</b>
Brown	\$27,142	\$22,880	241
Daviess	\$19,164	\$16,640	509
Greene	\$17,294	\$16,640	1,678
Lawrence	\$22,216	\$18,044	1,997
Martin	\$20,624	\$18,720	196
Monroe	\$22,092	\$17,160	2,689
Orange	\$22,719	\$18,720	599
Owen	\$20,141	\$17,680	657



## 2<sup>nd</sup> QUARTER 2006 AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES

“Covered Employment and Payrolls” include employees working for firms subject to the Indiana Employment and Training Services Act. The Act, in general, includes employers with one or more employees. Railroads, small nonprofit institutions, and churches are excluded. Only part of the employment in private households and on farms is included. Federal government employees are not included in these figures.

Average Weekly Wages are computed from quarterly earnings and average employment. The figures are computed from payroll totals so they include all employees. The Average Weekly Earnings for Manufacturing are based on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

COUNTY	ALL INDUSTRIES	MANUFACTURING
Brown	\$401	\$551
Daviess	\$516	\$490
Greene	\$541	\$578
Lawrence	\$604	\$938
Martin	\$563	\$801
Monroe	\$590	\$796
Orange	\$522	\$574
Owen	\$545	\$671
INDIANA	\$679	\$921



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## EGR 8 QUARTERLY EMPLOYMENT

Employment data from Unemployment Insurance Tax records is a very comprehensive count of workers by industrial category. There is some time involved in updating this gargantuan data base quarterly. The most recent data now extend through June 2006.

In the second quarter 2006, Indiana Economic Growth Region 8 recorded 116,196 jobs in 6,537 businesses. The region's employment increased 3,116 jobs or 2.8 percent since the second quarter 2001. The following table provides 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2001 employment through 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2006 for the major NAICS industry sectors.

INDUSTRY	2Q2001	2Q2002	2Q2003	2Q2004	2Q2005	2Q2006
Total Covered Employment (includes Federal Empl.)	113,080	111,749	112,057	114,465	115,243	116,196
Natural Resources & Mining	1,777	1,757	1,781	1,803	1,888	1,999
Construction	5,803	5,551	5,545	6,106	6,104	6,277
Manufacturing	19,662	18,348	17,743	17,395	17,067	17,351
Trade, Transportation, Mining, & Utilities	19,497	19,179	19,323	18,750	18,685	18,839
Information Services	1,905	1,778	1,659	1,736	1,685	1,666
Financial Activities	3,930	3,997	3,981	4,059	3,989	4,002
Professional & Business Services	6,285	6,134	6,355	6,876	7,537	8,033
Educational & Health Services	11,833	11,898	12,232	12,525	12,907	12,838
Leisure & Hospitality	11,368	11,863	11,750	12,175	12,012	11,814
Other Services	3,277	3,289	3,264	3,283	3,288	3,179
Government	27,740	27,954	28,424	29,751	30,078	30,189

Industry sectors may not add to total due to inclusion of unclassified data in total covered employment.

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